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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### glamorous

*adj.* highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people

*synonym* : alluring, bewitching, enchanting

(1) **glamorous** movie stars, (2) cast **glamorous** eyes

The south coast is less **glamorous** yet has many clean and appealing hotels.

### vantage

*n.* a position or place that provides a commanding or advantageous view or perspective; a favorable position or advantage

*synonym* : advantage, benefit, edge

(1) strategic **vantage**, (2) gain a **vantage**

From our **vantage** point, we could see the whole city skyline.

### woo

*v.* to seek the affection or favor of someone; to court or pursue someone romantically or with flattery

*synonym* : court, pursue, charm

(1) **woo** consumers, (2) **woo** voters with promises

He tried to **woo** her with his charm and wit.

### vitiligo

*n.* a skin disorder characterized by the loss of pigmentation in patches, resulting in irregular white spots or patches on the skin

*synonym* : depigmentation, skin discoloration, leukoderma

(1) spotting **vitiligo**, (2) treat **vitiligo**

Many people with **vitiligo** experience patches of depigmented skin across their body.

## autoimmune

*adj.* relating to a condition in which the body's immune system attacks and destroys healthy body tissue, mistaking it for harmful foreign substances

(1) insulin **autoimmune** syndrome, (2) **autoimmune** disorder

The presence of certain substances triggered the **autoimmune** response.

## contagious

*adj.* able to be passed on to others through contact or proximity, especially by infection or disease

*synonym* : infectious, transmissible, communicable

(1) **contagious** enthusiasm, (2) **contagious** virus

The disease is highly **contagious** and spreads quickly.

## eyewitness

*n.* someone who sees an event, especially a crime or accident, happen and can describe what happened

*synonym* : observer, spectator, witness

(1) a memory of an **eyewitness**, (2) **eyewitness** report

The **eyewitness** testimony was crucial in solving the case.

## newscast

*n.* a radio or television program that delivers news to the public, usually broadcast at set times throughout the day

*synonym* : news, broadcast, bulletin

(1) live **newscast**, (2) breaking **newscast**

I always watch the evening **newscast** to stay updated on current events.

## quitter

*n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

*synonym* : coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

## **moss**

*n.* a small, soft plant that grows in a low, compact layer, often on the ground or on rocks

*synonym*: plant, foliage, greenery

(1) green **moss**, (2) **moss** garden

**Moss** grows in damp, shaded areas and is often found on the forest floor.

## **leprosy**

*n.* a chronic infectious disease that affects the skin, nerves, and mucous membranes and is caused by the bacterium *Mycobacterium leprae*, characterized by disfiguring skin lesions, nerve damage, and the loss of sensation in affected areas

*synonym*: Hansen's disease

(1) **leprosy** treatment, (2) the spread of **leprosy**

The World Health Organization is working to eradicate **leprosy** from all parts of the world.

## **grumpy**

*adj.* easily annoyed or irritable; inclined to complain or show dissatisfaction, often in an ill-tempered way

*synonym*: crabby, grouchy, irritable

(1) **grumpy** cat, (2) **grumpy** mood

The **grumpy** older man snapped at the children for playing too loudly.

## **demeanor**

*n.* a person's behavior, attitude, or mannerisms, particularly about how others perceive them; the outward expression of one's personality or character

*synonym*: behavior, conduct, manner

(1) **demeanor** towards customers, (2) calm **demeanor**

The lawyer's professional **demeanor** helped him win over the jury.

## **opportune**

*adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

*synonym* : suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

## **posit**

v. to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration

*synonym* : assert, declare, assume

(1) **posit** the existence of life after death, (2) **posit** the premise

We should **posit** several hypotheses to discuss the matter.

## **kneel**

v. to rest on someone's knee or knees

*synonym* : genuflect, crouch, bend

(1) **kneel** down and worship, (2) **kneel** in protest

The players are **kneeling** during the national anthem.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. m\_\_s garden *n.* a small, soft plant that grows in a low, compact layer, often on the ground or on rocks
2. a memory of an eye\_\_\_\_\_ss *n.* someone who sees an event, especially a crime or accident, happen and can describe what happened
3. po\_\_t the premise *v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
4. gl\_\_\_\_\_us movie stars *adj.* highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people
5. eye\_\_\_\_\_ss report *n.* someone who sees an event, especially a crime or accident, happen and can describe what happened
6. treat vi\_\_\_\_\_go *n.* a skin disorder characterized by the loss of pigmentation in patches, resulting in irregular white spots or patches on the skin
7. op\_\_\_\_\_ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
8. de\_\_\_\_\_or towards customers *n.* a person's behavior, attitude, or mannerisms, particularly about how others perceive them; the outward expression of one's personality or character
9. gain a va\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a position or place that provides a commanding or advantageous view or perspective; a favorable position or advantage

ANSWERS: 1. moss, 2. eyewitness, 3. posit, 4. glamorous, 5. eyewitness, 6. vitiligo, 7. opportune, 8. demeanor, 9. vantage

10. insulin aut\_\_\_\_\_ne syndrome      *adj.* relating to a condition in which the body's immune system attacks and destroys healthy body tissue, mistaking it for harmful foreign substances
11. w\_o voters with promises      *v.* to seek the affection or favor of someone; to court or pursue someone romantically or with flattery
12. the spread of le\_\_\_\_\_y      *n.* a chronic infectious disease that affects the skin, nerves, and mucous membranes and is caused by the bacterium *Mycobacterium leprae*, characterized by disfiguring skin lesions, nerve damage, and the loss of sensation in affected areas
13. gr\_\_\_\_y mood      *adj.* easily annoyed or irritable; inclined to complain or show dissatisfaction, often in an ill-tempered way
14. aut\_\_\_\_\_ne disorder      *adj.* relating to a condition in which the body's immune system attacks and destroys healthy body tissue, mistaking it for harmful foreign substances
15. cast gl\_\_\_\_\_us eyes      *adj.* highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people
16. con\_\_\_\_\_us enthusiasm      *adj.* able to be passed on to others through contact or proximity, especially by infection or disease
17. serial qu\_\_\_\_\_r      *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
18. kn\_\_l in protest      *v.* to rest on someone's knee or knees

ANSWERS: 10. autoimmune, 11. woo, 12. leprosy, 13. grumpy, 14. autoimmune, 15. glamorous, 16. contagious, 17. quitter, 18. kneel

19. le\_\_\_\_y treatment *n.* a chronic infectious disease that affects the skin, nerves, and mucous membranes and is caused by the bacterium *Mycobacterium leprae*, characterized by disfiguring skin lesions, nerve damage, and the loss of sensation in affected areas
20. an op\_\_\_\_\_ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
21. easy qu\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
22. green m\_\_s *n.* a small, soft plant that grows in a low, compact layer, often on the ground or on rocks
23. live ne\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* a radio or television program that delivers news to the public, usually broadcast at set times throughout the day
24. spotting vi\_\_\_\_\_go *n.* a skin disorder characterized by the loss of pigmentation in patches, resulting in irregular white spots or patches on the skin
25. calm de\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person's behavior, attitude, or mannerisms, particularly about how others perceive them; the outward expression of one's personality or character
26. po\_\_t the existence of life after death *v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration

ANSWERS: 19. leprosy, 20. opportune, 21. quitter, 22. moss, 23. newscast, 24. vitiligo, 25. demeanor, 26. posit

27. con\_\_\_\_\_us virus      *adj.* able to be passed on to others through contact or proximity, especially by infection or disease
28. w\_o consumers      *v.* to seek the affection or favor of someone; to court or pursue someone romantically or with flattery
29. gr\_\_\_y cat      *adj.* easily annoyed or irritable; inclined to complain or show dissatisfaction, often in an ill-tempered way
30. kn\_\_l down and worship      *v.* to rest on someone's knee or knees
31. breaking ne\_\_\_\_\_st      *n.* a radio or television program that delivers news to the public, usually broadcast at set times throughout the day
32. strategic va\_\_\_\_\_e      *n.* a position or place that provides a commanding or advantageous view or perspective; a favorable position or advantage

ANSWERS: 27. contagious, 28. woo, 29. grumpy, 30. kneel, 31. newscast, 32. vantage



## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He tried to \_\_\_\_ her with his charm and wit.  
*v.* to seek the affection or favor of someone; to court or pursue someone romantically or with flattery
2. The south coast is less \_\_\_\_\_ yet has many clean and appealing hotels.  
*adj.* highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people
3. The phone rang at the most \_\_\_\_\_ time.  
*adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
4. The presence of certain substances triggered the \_\_\_\_\_ response.  
*adj.* relating to a condition in which the body's immune system attacks and destroys healthy body tissue, mistaking it for harmful foreign substances
5. The lawyer's professional \_\_\_\_\_ helped him win over the jury.  
*n.* a person's behavior, attitude, or mannerisms, particularly about how others perceive them; the outward expression of one's personality or character
6. The \_\_\_\_\_ older man snapped at the children for playing too loudly.  
*adj.* easily annoyed or irritable; inclined to complain or show dissatisfaction, often in an ill-tempered way
7. He was labeled as a \_\_\_\_\_ after he abandoned the project halfway.  
*n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

ANSWERS: 1. woo, 2. glamorous, 3. opportune, 4. autoimmune, 5. demeanor, 6. grumpy, 7. quitter

8. I always watch the evening \_\_\_\_\_ to stay updated on current events.
- n.* a radio or television program that delivers news to the public, usually broadcast at set times throughout the day
9. The players are \_\_\_\_\_ during the national anthem.
- v.* to rest on someone's knee or knees
10. From our \_\_\_\_\_ point, we could see the whole city skyline.
- n.* a position or place that provides a commanding or advantageous view or perspective; a favorable position or advantage
11. We should \_\_\_\_\_ several hypotheses to discuss the matter.
- v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
12. \_\_\_\_\_ grows in damp, shaded areas and is often found on the forest floor.
- n.* a small, soft plant that grows in a low, compact layer, often on the ground or on rocks
13. The \_\_\_\_\_ testimony was crucial in solving the case.
- n.* someone who sees an event, especially a crime or accident, happen and can describe what happened
14. The World Health Organization is working to eradicate \_\_\_\_\_ from all parts of the world.
- n.* a chronic infectious disease that affects the skin, nerves, and mucous membranes and is caused by the bacterium *Mycobacterium leprae*, characterized by disfiguring skin lesions, nerve damage, and the loss of sensation in affected areas

ANSWERS: 8. newscast, 9. kneeling, 10. vantage, 11. posit, 12. Moss, 13. eyewitness, 14. leprosy

15. The disease is highly \_\_\_\_\_ and spreads quickly.

*adj.* able to be passed on to others through contact or proximity, especially by infection or disease

16. Many people with \_\_\_\_\_ experience patches of depigmented skin across their body.

*n.* a skin disorder characterized by the loss of pigmentation in patches, resulting in irregular white spots or patches on the skin

ANSWERS: 15. contagious, 16. vitiligo